

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

February 5, 2010

Programmer with Ruby on Rails Skills RFP# CIRM 2219b

You are invited to review and respond to this Request for Proposal (RFP), entitled RFP#CIRM 2219b for the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM). In submitting your proposal, you must fully comply with these instructions. Missing and/or incomplete information may cause your response to be disqualified from further consideration. The RFP seeks an outstanding professional individual or firm with Programming experience in Ruby on Rails for the California Institute of Regenerative Medicine as described further in Sections A.1 & 2.

If you have questions, or should you need any clarifying information, the contact person for this RFP is:

Cynthia Schaffer Contracts Administrator (415) 396-9241

All submittals must be received on or before 5 PM Pacific Time, <u>February 26, 2010</u>. Return one signed hard copy original to:

California Institute for Regenerative Medicine
210 King Street
San Francisco, CA 94107
Attn: Cynthia Schaffer
Contracts Administrator

Fax or email only submittals will not be accepted Late submittals will not be accepted

INSTRUCTIONS TO INDIVIDUALS: THE MINIMUM REQUIRED RESPONSE TO THIS RFP IS THREE DOCUMENTS AND A NOTATION OF YOUR HOURLY RATE. The three documents are a resume, and the two Required Attachments- the Payee Data Record and a sheet of References. If CIRM selects you, then you will need to obtain the insurance required before entering into the CIRM Agreement that is attached as a sample.

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A. Purpose and Description of Services

1. Introduction

The California Institute for Regenerative Medicine ("CIRM") was established in early 2005 by the passage of Proposition 71, the California Stem Cell Research and Cures Act. The statewide ballot measure, which provided \$3 billion in funding for stem cell research at California universities and research institutions, was approved by California voters on November 2, 2004, and created CIRM as a new state agency responsible for making and managing grants and loans for stem cell research, research facilities and other vital research opportunities. The mission of CIRM is to support and advance stem cell research and regenerative medicine under the highest ethical and medical standards for the discovery and development of cures, therapies, diagnostics and research technologies to relieve human suffering from chronic disease and injury. To date, the CIRM governing board has approved 328 grants totaling more than \$1 billion, making CIRM the largest source of funding for human embryonic stem cell research in the world. For more information, please visit www.cirm.ca.gov.

CIRM is requesting a proposal from individuals (or consulting firms who will place an individual) to work with the staff of CIRM's Grants

Management and Science Offices. This position will program and develop new functionality within CIRM's existing grants management systems built with Ruby on Rails technology as well as, support and maintain existing systems. A Consultant who has been programming at CIRM for the past year will supervise the position. The successful candidate must demonstrate excellent communications skills, both oral and written, and must have the ability to communicate technical concepts to a non-technical audience.

The Programmer with Ruby on Rails skills (the Programmer) must be technically and professionally capable of providing the services discussed above and described in Section A, Item 2, Scope of Services and meet the Minimum Qualifications for Proposers in Section B. The individual (and consulting firm placing an individual) must be free from actual conflicts of interest not only at the time of selection, but also throughout the term of the contract.

CIRM expects the chosen individual will be able to start **as soon as possible** following the execution of the contract. CIRM anticipates entering into a 12-month contract with a possible extension and a 30-day cancellation clause by CIRM. The work must be performed primarily **on location** at CIRM's office at 210 King Street, San Francisco. For this RFP, we will not negotiate for work to be performed remotely, or pay any travel expenses for the individual working from CIRM's office.

2. Scope of Services

The Programmer will be expected to provide CIRM with the following services as described herein:

a) Experience of Individual

- Experience creating Information Technology solutions to complex requirements in a fast paced environment
- Experience creating solutions that are intuitive and easy to use as users represent a broad cross section of technology ability and experience
- Ability to think strategically and assist with the execution of aggressive information technology plans

b) Budget & Contract Terms

- 1. CIRM anticipates that the Programmer will work approximately 40 hours per week. Longevity on the project is an important component and CIRM requests that the individual be prepared to commit at least 9 months to the assignment. The contract will start as soon as possible after the contract is awarded.
- 2. Proposal submitted shall state Consultant's hourly rate and the Consulting firm's markup (if applicable) and shall include Consultant's resume.

c) Scope of Work

- 1. <u>Grants Management System</u>. The Programmer will create new functionality and new systems to support CIRM's grants programs. The Programmer will also maintain the existing Ruby on Rails based modules of CIRM's grants management system.
- 2. <u>Reporting</u>. The Programmer will pull data from the existing systems, in whatever format required by CIRM Staff, as needed for reporting purposes.
- 3. <u>Data Migration</u>. The Programmer will assist in extracting data from existing Postgres database and formatting it into CSV files for migration into MicroEdge GIFTS (a COTS based grants management system that CIRM has licensed).
- 4. Other programming duties as assigned.

B. Minimum Qualifications for Proposer(s)

CIRM expects the Programmer to have experience that demonstrates a high degree of exposure, skill, proficiency and professionalism in the conduct of the various functions performed. Proposer must have, at minimum, the following qualifications and experience:

Requirements

- At least 5 years experience in creating web applications and object-oriented design
- At least 2 years experience creating web applications using Ruby on Rails
- Experienced in writing software in more than one programming language, one of which must be Ruby
- Facility with Ruby unit and integration testing frameworks
- Experienced user of Software Configuration Management systems (SVN, CVS, Git etc)
- Experience with databases, SQL queries and overall database design PostgreSQL a plus
- Experience in Javascript and AJAX framework (any one or more of Dojo, Prototype, iQuery, script.aculo.us, ExtJS)
- Experienced user of UNIX/Linux operating systems
- Experience taking active role in architecture and design
- Ability to establish and maintain cooperative working relationships
- Ability to communicate realistic assessments of project status
- Ability to compile thorough documentation (as directed)
- Ability to manage tight deadlines

Independent Consultant Insurance Requirements

- a. General Liability
 - i. Comprehensive or Commercial Form (minimum limits)

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1.	Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000.00
2.	Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00
3.	Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000.00
4.	General Aggregate*	\$2,000,000.00
	*Not applicable to comprehensive form.	

If the above insurance is written on a claims-made form, it shall continue for three years following termination of the agreement. The insurance shall provide for a retroactive date of placement prior to or coinciding with the effective date of the agreement.

b. Workers' Compensation: if required under California State Law.

C. Proposal Requirements and Information

1. Key Action Dates

It is recognized that time is of the essence. All Proposers are hereby advised of the following schedule and will be expected to adhere to the required dates and times:

<u>Date</u>	Action
<u>February 5, 2010</u>	RFP available to prospective individuals and firms
February 26, 2010	Final Date for Proposal Submission. Proposals must be received at CIRM at 210 King Street San Francisco, CA by 5:00 P.M.
	CIRM plans to conduct interviews with top candidates and may request an electronic exercise to evaluate skills before reaching a decision.
March 19, 2010	Proposed Award Date (Note: The actual award date may be earlier.)

2. References

a) References-Submit a list of at least three references (clients) to which you have provided similar services within the past five years and contact numbers for each. See Attachment 1. Please note that CIRM will also request references for each individual submitted by a consulting firm, if that individual is a top candidate. CIRM will request the references for those individuals at the time of the interview with CIRM.

3. Submission of Proposal

- a) Proposals should provide straightforward and concise descriptions of the Proposer's ability to satisfy the requirements of this RFP. The proposal must be complete and accurate. Omissions, inaccuracies or misstatements will be sufficient cause for rejection of a proposal. In the case of a consulting firm submitting individual applicants, please limit your proposal to your top 3 candidates with Ruby on Rails skills.
- b) The proposal package should be prepared in the least expensive method. We will need to photocopy and scan your proposal for distribution within the office, so please do not bind your document in a way that makes photocopying and scanning difficult.

- c) All proposals must be submitted to the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine by the dates and times shown in Section C, Proposal Requirements and Information, Item 1) Key Action Dates.
- d) Proposal should identify the total dollar amount of consulting work Proposer has contracted with CIRM for in the last 12 months.
- e) Submit one hard copy original. All documents contained in the original proposal package must have original signatures and must be signed by a person who is authorized to bind the proposing firm.
- f) The proposal envelope(s) should be addressed as follows and must be plainly marked with the RFP number and title:

Cynthia Schaffer
Contract Administrator
California Institute for Regenerative Medicine
210 King Street
Subject: Programmer, CIRM 2219b

If the proposal is made under a fictitious name or business title, the actual legal name of the proposer must be provided.

- g) All proposals shall include the documents identified in Section D, Required Attachments. Proposals not including the proper "required attachments" shall be deemed non-responsive. A non-responsive proposal is one that does not meet the basic proposal requirements.
- h) Mail or deliver proposals to the address as stated in f above.
- i) Proposals must be submitted for the performance of all the services described herein. Any deviation from the work specifications will not be considered and will cause a proposal to be rejected.
- j) A proposal may be rejected if it is conditional or incomplete, or if it contains any alterations of form or other irregularities of any kind. CIRM may reject any or all proposals and may waive any immaterial deviation in a proposal. CIRM's waiver of immaterial deviation shall in no way modify the RFP document or excuse the proposer from full compliance with all requirements if awarded the agreement.
- k) Costs incurred for developing proposals and in anticipation of award of the agreement are entirely the responsibility of the proposer and shall not be charged to CIRM.
- 1) An individual who is authorized to bind the proposing firm contractually shall sign the Attachment 2, Payee Data Form. The signature must indicate the title

- or position that the individual holds in the firm. An unsigned proposal may be rejected.
- m) A Proposer may modify a proposal after its submission by withdrawing its original proposal and resubmitting a new proposal prior to the proposal submission deadline as set forth in Section C, Proposal Requirements and Information, Item 1) Key Action Dates. Proposal modifications offered in any other manner, oral or written, will not be considered.
- n) A Proposer may withdraw its proposal by submitting a written withdrawal request to CIRM, signed by the Proposer or an authorized agent, addressed in accordance with f above. A Proposer may thereafter submit a new proposal prior to the proposal submission deadline. Proposals may not be withdrawn without cause subsequent to proposal submission deadline.
- o) CIRM may modify the RFP prior to the date fixed for submission of proposals by the issuance of an addendum to all parties who received a proposal package. Please note that no *verbal* information given will be binding upon the State unless such information is issued in writing as an official addendum.
- p) CIRM reserves the right to reject all proposals. CIRM is not required to award an agreement.
- q) Before submitting a response to this solicitation, Proposers should review, correct all errors and confirm compliance with the RFP requirements.
- r) Where applicable, Proposer should carefully examine work sites and specifications. No additions or increases to the agreement amount will be made due to a lack of careful examination of work sites and specifications, if applicable.
- s) More than one proposal from an individual, firm, partnership, corporation or association under the same or different names, will not be considered.
- t) CIRM does not accept alternate contract language from a prospective Consultant. A proposal with such language will be considered a counter proposal and will be rejected. CIRM expects Consultant to agree to enter into an Independent Consultant Agreement on the same terms specified in the attached Exhibit- Sample Independent Consultant Agreement.
- u) No oral understanding or agreement shall be binding on either party.

4. Evaluation Process

- a) At the time of proposal opening, each proposal will be checked for the presence or absence of required information in conformance with the submission requirements of this RFP.
- b) Proposals that contain false or misleading statements, or which provide references that do not support an attribute or condition claimed by the proposer, may be rejected.
- c) Award, if made, will be to the highest scoring responsible proposal. If a tie occurs the most competitive cost proposal will be the determining factor.

d) Proposal Evaluation

The proposals that meet the Minimum Qualifications in Section B and the Proposal Requirements and Information in Section C will be evaluated and scored according to the criteria indicated below. (Maximum points available for each criterion is noted.)

(1) Qualification and Experience as a Programmer 80 points CIRM will evaluate the proposal on the basis of the firm's/individual's overall experience demonstrating their ability to successfully complete the requirements and scope of work. As part of its evaluation, CIRM plans to conduct interviews with top candidates and may request an electronic exercise to evaluate skills before reaching a decision

(2) Cost 20 points CIRM will score the cost upon the competitive cost proposal.

Maximum Total Possible Points

100 points

5. Disposition of Proposals

- a) Upon proposal opening, all documents submitted in response to this RFP will become the property of CIRM, and will be regarded as public records under the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.) and subject to review by the public.
- b) Proposal packages may be returned only at the Proposer's expense, unless such expense is waived by CIRM.

6. Agreement Execution and Performance

a) Service shall start on the express date set by CIRM and the Consultant, after all approvals have been obtained and the agreement is fully executed. Should

the Consultant fail to commence work at the agreed upon time, CIRM, upon five (5) days written notice to the Consultant, reserves the right to terminate the agreement. In addition, the Consultant shall be liable to CIRM for the difference between Consultant's Proposal price and the actual cost of performing work by another Consultant.

b) All performance under the agreement shall be completed on or before the termination date of the agreement.

D. Required Attachments

For your proposal to be considered responsive, all required attachments must be included with the RFP by the dates and times shown in Section C, Proposal Requirements and Information, Item 1, Key Action Dates.

Attachment 1 – Proposer References

Attachment 2 – Payee Data Record (STD 204)

E. Exhibits

- 3) Notice to RFP Respondents
- 4) Sample Independent Consultant Agreement

ATTACHMENT 1

Proposer References

Submission of this attachment is mandatory. Failure to complete and return this attachment with your bid may cause your bid to be rejected and deemed non-responsive.

List below three references for services performed within the last five years, which are similar to the scope of work to be performed in this contract.

REFERENCE 1			
Name of Firm			
Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person		Telephone Number	
Dates of Service		Value or Cost of Service	e

Brief Description of Service Provided

REFERENCE 2			
Name of Firm Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person		Telephone Number	F
Dates of Service		Value or Cost of Serv	ice

Brief Description of Service Provided

REFERENCE 3			
Name of Firm Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Contact Person		Telephone Number	
Dates of Service		Value or Cost of Ser	vice

Brief Description of Service Provided

ATACHMENT 2

Payee Data Record (STD 204)

STATE OF CALIFORNIA-DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE PAYEE DATA RECORD
(Required when receiving payment from the State of California in lieu of IRS W-9) STD. 204 (Rev. 8-2003)

1	INSTRUCTIONS: Complete all information on this form. Sign the bottom of this page. Prompt return of this fully completed this form will be used by State agencies to prepare information is statement. NOTE: Governmental entities, federal, State, and local (including PAYEE'S LEGAL BUSINESS NAME (Type or Print)	form will prevent de Returns (1099). Se	elays when proc se reverse side	essing payments. Info for more information a	ormation provided in	
2	SOLE PROPRIETOR - ENTER NAME AS SHOWN ON SSN (Last, First, M.I.) E-MAIL ADDRESS					
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	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE	CITY, STATE, Z	IP CODE			
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	SIGNATURE	DATE		TELEPHONE		
6	Please return completed form to: Department/Office: Unit/Section: Mailing Address: City/State/Zip: Telephone: (')	Fax: ('				
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Notice To RFP Respondents PUBLIC RELEASE OF PROPOSALS

Under the California Public Records Act, the records of state agencies are generally available to the public upon request. **The Proposal you submit pursuant to a CIRM RFP will be a public document.** If you are awarded the contract, the contract will be a public document.

The Public Records Act allows CIRM to protect documents, or parts of documents, that reveal trade secrets and information that is confidential or proprietary, and information that would invade personal privacy.

You should submit your Proposal in a form that does not include such information. If you wish to include non-public information in your RFP response, put that information in a separate envelope labeled "Confidential," and include a brief explanation of the reason the information is non-public. If you do not provide an adequate basis for withholding the information, CIRM is required to make it available to the public. CIRM reserves the right to make the final determination whether to withhold or produce a document or portion of a document in response to a Public Records Act request. If CIRM withholds information at your request, you may be required to litigate any claim of trade secret that you assert.

CIRM is not permitted to provide legal advice about the Public Records Act and/or its exemptions. The following resources provide additional information about CIRM's obligations under the Public Records Act:

CIRM Public Records Access Guide http://www.cirm.ca.gov/faq/pdf/guidelines.pdf

Summary of the California Public Records Act http://www.ag.ca.gov/publications/summary_public_records_act.pdf

EXHIBIT 1

Agree	ement N	lo. CIRM			
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	en the (California Institute		ant services is made by and cine hereinafter called (CIRM e Consultant).	Л),
I.	NATU	URE AND PLACE	(S) OF SERVICE		
	A.	including a time s provide specified as reports on the	schedule by which the		
	В.		osal to CIRM shall be	subparagraph A. above, the incorporated herein by reference	ence
	C.	C. If the Consultant is an entity other than an individual, CIRM requires the staff be assigned according to Attachment A to perform the work set for herein. No reassignment of work to any other individual(s) other than those described in Attachment A shall be made without the written approval of CIRM.			
	D.	Place(s) of perfor	rmance of such services	s shall be:	
		Consultant's loca	tion:	CIRM's location	1:
		94107		210 King Street San Francisco, C	

E. The CIRM will provide working space, equipment, furniture, utilities, and services, as follows:

11.	TERM OF AGREEMENT					
	A.	The term of this Agreement shall be from through				
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	B.	CIRM reserves the right to terminate this Agreement subject to 30				
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- B. CIRM reserves the right to terminate this Agreement subject to 30 days written notice to the Consultant. Consultant may submit a written notice to terminate this Agreement only if CIRM should substantially fail to perform its responsibilities as provided herein. In addition, this Agreement may be terminated immediately for cause. The term "for cause" shall mean that the Consultant fails to meet the terms, conditions, and/or responsibilities of this Agreement. In this instance, the termination shall be effective as of the date indicated on CIRM's notification to the Consultant
 - C. The term of this Agreement may be extended by the mutual, written consent of both parties.

III. COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES

- A. The CIRM shall pay the Consultant for services performed on the following basis:
 - 1. Professional Fees:
 - 2. Other Expenses

MAXIMUM TO BE PAID UNDER THIS AGREEMENT

B. Payments shall be made upon the Consultant's submission of invoices indicating the Agreement Number and setting forth charges in accordance with rates detailed in Article III-A. Each invoice shall include the Consultant's taxpayer identification number (Social Security or employer identification number). Invoices shall be submitted not more frequently than monthly in arrears to:

California Institute for Regenerative Medicine
President
210 King Street
San Francisco, CA 94107

Payment will be made in accordance with, and within the time specified in, Government Code Chapter 4.5, commencing with Section 927.

^{*} Reimbursement for travel and per diem shall be in accordance with established CIRM rates and policies.

The following link will take you to the Government Code cited for further information. http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-

bin/displaycode?section=gov&group=00001-01000&file=927-927.12

IV. REPORTING

In performing consulting services under this Agreement, the Consultant shall be accountable to CIRM and shall provide progress reports to CIRM upon CIRM's request.

V. NOTIFICATION

Notices concerning this Agreement shall be addressed as follows:

CIRM: TO

CONSULTANT:

[Insert name and address]

VI. TAXES

The compensation stated in Article III includes all applicable taxes and will not be changed hereafter as the result of Consultant's failure to include any applicable tax or as the result of any change in the Consultant's tax liabilities. The Consultant acknowledges that compensation payable hereunder may be subject to withholding of state and federal income tax, including state income tax subject to withholding pursuant to California Revenue and Taxation Code Sections 18661-18677.

VII. INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT STATUS

- A. Both parties agree that in the performance of this Agreement the Independent Consultant shall not be an agent or employee of CIRM, shall not be covered by the State of California Worker's Compensation Insurance or Unemployment Insurance, shall not be eligible to participate in CIRM's retirement programs, and shall not be entitled to any other CIRM employee benefits.
- B. The Consultant shall be solely responsible for the conduct and control of the work to be performed by the Consultant under this Agreement, except that the Consultant is accountable to CIRM for the results of such work. The Consultant's services for CIRM shall be performed in accordance with currently approved methods and ethical standards applicable to the Consultant's professional capacity.

California State Contract Code 10515 (a) states: No person, firm, or subsidiary thereof who has been awarded a consulting services contract may submit a bid

for, nor be awarded a contract on or after July 1, 2003, for the provision of services, procurement of goods or supplies, or any other related action that is required, suggested, or otherwise deemed appropriate in the end product of the consulting services contract.

VIII. ASSIGNMENT OR SUBCONTRACTING

The Consultant may not assign or transfer this Agreement, or any interest or claim, or subcontract any portion of the work, without the prior written approval of CIRM. The withholding or granting of such approval is totally discretionary with CIRM. If CIRM consents to such assignment or transfer, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be binding upon any assignee or transferee.

IX. PROPERTY RIGHTS, INCLUDING PATENTS AND COPYRIGHTS

All written and other tangible material ("Material") produced pursuant to this Agreement by the Consultant shall be considered a work-made-for-hire under the Copyright Act. To the extent said Material does not qualify as a work-made-for-hire, Consultant hereby assigns all right, title, and interest, including, but not limited to, copyright and all copyright rights in the Material to CIRM and shall execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate such assignment. In the event Consultant uses any individual who is not a full-time employee of Consultant or uses any other entity to perform any of the work required by Consultant hereunder, Consultant shall require said individual or entity to sign an agreement before commencing work for consultant to sign an agreement that contains identical wording to the foregoing two sentences except that the word "Consultant" shall be replaced with the individual's or entity's name.

X. CONSULTANT'S LIABILITY AND INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. The Consultant agrees to defend, at CIRM's election, indemnify, and hold harmless CIRM, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, losses, expenses (including costs and reasonable attorney's fees), claims for injury, or damages that are caused by or result from the negligent or intentional acts or omissions of the Consultant, its officers, employees, or agents or Consultant's breach of this Agreement. In addition, Consultant agrees to defend, at CIRM's election, indemnify, and hold harmless CIRM, its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, losses, expenses (including costs and reasonable attorney's fees), claims for injury, or damages accruing or resulting to any and all contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, or any other person, firm or corporation furnishing services or supplying goods in connection with Consultant's performance of this Agreement
- B. The Consultant shall furnish a Certificate of Insurance or statement of self-insurance (contractual liability included) showing minimum coverage as follows:

a. General Liability

i. Comprehensive or Commercial Form (minimum limits)

1.	Each Occurrence	\$1,000,000.00
2.	Products/Completed Operations Aggregate	\$2,000,000.00
3.	Personal and Advertising Injury	\$1,000,000.00
4.	General Aggregate*	\$2,000,000.00
	*Not applicable to comprehensive form.	

If the above insurance is written on a claims-made form, it shall continue for three years following termination of the agreement. The

insurance shall provide for a retroactive date of placement prior to or

coinciding with the effective date of the agreement.

b. Workers' Compensation: if required under California State Law.

XI RECORDS ABOUT INDIVIDUALS

- The Consultant acknowledges that the creation and maintenance of A. records pertaining to individuals is subject to certain requirements set forth by the California Information Practices Act (Civil Code 1798, et seq.) and by CIRM policy. Such requirements include provisions governing the collection, maintenance, accuracy, dissemination, and disclosure of information about individuals, including the right of access by the subject individuals.
- B. If the Consultant creates confidential or personal records about an individual, as defined by the Information Practices Act, including notes or tape recordings, the information shall be collected to the greatest extent practicable directly from the individual who is the subject of the information. When collecting the information, the Consultant shall inform the individual that the record is being made and of the purpose of the record.
- C. Records containing confidential or personal information about individuals are the property of CIRM and subject to CIRM's policies and applicable federal and state laws. The Consultant agrees to deliver all such records, including originals and all copies and summaries, to CIRM upon termination of this Agreement.
- D. The Consultant shall not use recording devices in discussions with CIRM's employees without notifying all parties to the discussion that the discussion is being recorded.

XII. **EXAMINATION OF RECORDS**

The Consultant agrees that CIRM and its authorized agents shall have the right to review and copy any records and supporting documentation pertaining to the performance of this Agreement including, but not limited to, all documents, records and work papers whether obtained or copied from CIRM or developed by the Consultant. Consultant agrees to maintain such records for a minimum of five (5) years after final payment, unless a longer period of records retention is stipulated. Consultant agrees to allow CIRM and its authorized agent's access to such records during normal business hours. Further, Consultant agrees to include a similar right of access in any subcontract related to the performance of this Agreement.

In accordance with state law, the Consultant agrees that CIRM, its authorized agents, the State Controller's Office, and the Bureau of State Audits (collectively, the "Auditors") shall have the right, in connection with an audit, to review and copy any records and supporting documentation pertaining to the performance of this Agreement including, but not limited to, all documents, records and work papers whether obtained or copied from CIRM or developed by the Consultant. Consultant agrees to maintain such records for possible audit for a minimum of five (5) years after final payment, unless a longer period of records retention is stipulated. Consultant agrees to allow the Auditors access to such records during normal business hours and to allow interviews of any employees who might reasonably have information related to such records. Further, Consultant agrees to include a similar right of the Auditors to audit records and interview staff in any subcontract related to the performance of this Agreement.

XIII CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- A. The Consultant will not hire any officer or employee of CIRM to perform any service covered by this Agreement. If the work is to be performed in connection with a federal or state contract or grant, the Consultant will not hire any employee of the government concerned to perform any service covered by this Agreement.
- B. The Consultant affirms that to the best of his/her knowledge there exists no actual or potential conflict between the Consultant's family, business or financial interest and the services provided under this Agreement, and in the event of change in either private interests or service under this Agreement, any question regarding possible conflict of interest which may arise as a result of such change will be raised with CIRM.
- C. The Consultant shall not be in a reporting relationship to a CIRM employee who is a near relative, nor shall the near relative be in a decision-making position with respect to the Consultant.
- D. The Consultant shall execute a Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests as published by the Fair Political Practices Commission. Statements of Economic Interests are public documents. More information about Form 700 is available

XIV. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The Consultant recognizes that as a state government contractor or subcontractor, the Consultant is obligated to comply with all state laws and regulations regarding equal opportunity and affirmative action in government contracts. When applicable, the Consultant agrees that all such laws and their implementing regulations are incorporated herein as though set forth in full. These laws include the nondiscrimination requirements of Government Code sections 12990 and 11135, and the nondiscrimination program and clause required by Title 2, Division 4, Chapter 5 of the California Code of Regulations.

XV. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Consultant shall keep confidential any information provided by CIRM or any information conveyed orally to the Consultant by CIRM with oral notification of its confidentiality (the "Confidential Information"), Consultant agrees to maintain the secrecy of CIRM's Confidential Information and agrees not to use it except in performing the Services under this Agreement and not to disclose it to anyone outside CIRM or anyone within CIRM's organization who does not have a need to know it to perform under this Agreement. This non-disclosure provision shall not apply to any of the following:

- 1. Information which the Consultant can demonstrate by written records was known to him or her prior to the effective date of this Agreement;
- 2. Is currently in, or in the future enters, the public domain other than through a breach of this Agreement or through other acts or omissions of the Consultant; or
- 3. Is obtained lawfully from a third party.

XVI. APPLICABLE LAW

The laws of the State of California shall govern this Agreement.

XVII. TERMS TO BE EXCLUSIVE

This Agreement constitutes the entire understanding between the parties regarding the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior understanding between the parties, oral or written, regarding the same subject matter.

XVIII. WAIVER OR MODIFICATION OF TERMS

No waiver, amendment or other modifications of the terms of this Agreement shall be binding upon either party unless expressed in writing and signed by both parties hereto.

XIX. STANDARD FOR PERFORMANCE

The parties acknowledge that CIRM, in selecting the Consultant to perform the services hereunder, is relying upon the Consultant's reputation for excellence in the performance of the services required hereunder. The Consultant shall perform the services in the manner of one who is a recognized specialist in the types of services to be performed. All deadlines set forth in the Agreement are binding and may be modified only by subsequent written agreement of the parties. The Consultant shall devote such time to performance of its, her, or his duties under this Agreement as is reasonably necessary for the satisfactory performance of such duties within the deadlines set forth herein. Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed to alter the requirement that time is of the essence in this Agreement.

XX. EXCLUSION. Independent Consultant warrants that it is not excluded from participation in any governmental sponsored program, including, without limitation, the Medicare, Medicaid, or Champus programs (http://exclusions.oig.hhs.gov/search.aspx) and the Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs (http://www.epls.gov/epls/search.do). This Agreement shall be subject to immediate termination in the event that the Independent Consultant is excluded from participation in any federal healthcare or procurement program.

XXI RESOLUTION OF DISPUTES

If the Consultant disputes any action by CIRM arising under or out of the performance of this contract, the Consultant shall notify CIRM of the dispute in writing and request a claims decision. CIRM shall issue a decision within 30 days of the Consultant's notice. If the Consultant disagrees with CIRM's claims decision, the Consultant shall submit a formal claim to the President of CIRM. The decision by the President of CIRM shall be final and conclusive on the claim unless the decision is arbitrary, capricious or grossly erroneous or if any determination of fact is unsupported by substantial evidence. The decision may encompass facts, interpretation of the contract and determinations or applications of law. The decision shall be in writing following an opportunity for the Consultant to present oral or documentary evidence and arguments in support of the claim. Consultant shall continue with the responsibilities under this Agreement during any dispute.

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